International Political Economy Section
2012-13 Report

2012-13 Section Chair: J. P. Singh, George Mason University
2013 Program Chair: Susan K. Sell, George Washington University

The IPE Section continues to cater to one of the biggest membership groups in the ISA. Our goal this year was to streamline the awards processes: the awards committees solicited open nominations, and the awards processes were publicized over the IPE listserv and the ISA website.

The section finances are healthy and its membership is growing. We began calendar year 2012 with a balance of $6304.02. The balance at the end of the 2001 stood at $8883.57. The section membership increased from 697 in 2012 to 811 in 2013 making IPE the third largest section behind Foreign Policy Analysis and International Security Studies. At 11.4% IPE featured one of the highest growth rates of any section in the ISA. The total membership of the ISA was 10713 at the beginning of 2013.

In recent years, the IPE section has received the highest number of submissions and consequently the Conference Chairs have generously allocated it the highest number of panels. For the 2011 conference, the IPE section was allocated 80 panels and eventually, the section sponsored or co-sponsored 6 roundtables and 85 panels, totaling 91 overall. For the 2012 conference, the IPE section was allocated 82 panels, and the section has sponsored or co-sponsored 11 roundtables and 92 panels, totaling 103 overall. For the 2013 conference, the IPE allocation was allocated 82 and the section sponsored or co-sponsored 98 panels, including 9 roundtables. The program chairs have also been conforming to the 50% acceptance rate for papers, panels, and roundtable submissions. This year’s program chair Prof. Susan K. Sell was particularly effective: the acceptance rate was 47% for panels, 43% for roundtables, and 44% for individual paper submissions.

Every year, the IPE section recognizes scholars in two categories: IPE Distinguished Senior Scholar and Society of Women in International Political Economy (SWIPE) Mentor Award. In addition, the section recognizes an eminent scholar-practitioner. Last year the IPE Section also instituted two additional awards: IPE best dissertation award and IPE best graduate Student Award. The descriptions of these awards are provided below:

IPE Distinguished Senior Scholar Award

The DSS Award was created to recognize senior scholars of exceptional merit whose influence and intellectual works will likely continue to impact the field for years to come. Nominations should include a short narrative & current cv. The committee is especially interested in scholars who have a history of attending ISA meetings, as we do not have the ability to support travel. Please forward nomination materials to each committee member.
Former/current colleagues and students are invited to be on the roundtable honoring the awardee at the ISA Annual Convention. The roundtable generally precedes the IPE reception at the convention.

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Nominations deadline for the IPE section Distinguished Senior Scholar was July 15, 2012.

This year’s recipient is Prof. Craig Murphy.

Prof. Craig Murphy studies the global politics of economic development, global governance, international political economy, and international relations theory. He is the co-director of the Center for Governance and Sustainability.

Prof. Murphy is past-president of the International Studies Association (2000–01) and past-chair of the Academic Council on the UN System (2002–04). He was one of the two founding editors of the international public policy journal, Global Governance, which received the 1996 award from the American Association of Publishers for the best new journal in the social sciences, management, and the humanities. Murphy is actively involved with the effort to reform the UN’s work throughout the developing world including as a consultant for the World Economic Forum’s Global Redesign Initiative and for the FUNDS (Future of the UN Development System) Project.

Prof. Murphy has overseen post-doctoral students and served on doctoral committees in Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe, and North America and is regularly consulted on program design and the pedagogy of international studies, a role he has played at Haverford, Manchester, Middlebury, Mount Holyoke, Rice, Rutgers, Tufts, Williams and other schools.

**SWIPE Mentor Award**

Originating in the early 1990’s, the Society for Women in International Political Economy (SWIPE) observed that many women in IPE did not have the close mentoring relationships that their male counterparts seemed to benefit from. Indeed, while research across disciplines has shown that mentoring can be key to higher publication rates and successfully achieving tenure, women tend to get less mentoring than men.

To recognize excellent mentoring in their field, members created the SWIPE Mentor Award, presenting the first award to Robert Keohane in 1997. The SWIPE Mentor Award pays tribute to women and men who have invested in the professional success of
women in the IPE field. Recipients have included scholars, an academic press editor, and deans. In 2009, with the view that many of its original goals had been reached and that other organizations were addressing its concerns, SWIPE disbanded. The IPE Section now administers the award.

About the Award:

The IPE Section Chair announces the recipient’s name at the IPE Section Business Meeting at the ISA Annual Convention. A special roundtable honoring the recipient is held at the convention as part of the regular program. Protégés, colleagues, the selection committee chair, and others will participate on the roundtable. The award also includes a plaque, which will be presented at that time.

Nominations

Nominations must include the nominee’s current c.v. and a letter (no more than 1 page) describing how the nominee has mentored women in IPE. Nominations may come from any member of ISA and should be sent by e-mail to the Chair of the selection committee. An announcement seeking nominations will be sent via email to the IPE Section, the Women’s Caucus, the ISA email list (isaemail@yahoogroups.com), and other relevant sections and Caucuses; and will be posted in the ISA Newsletter. The deadline for nominations is July 15; the committee will make its selection no later than September 1.

Note from 2012-12 Committee Chair: ISA is an international organization and we encourage nominations from outside the US. We recognize that conditions for women still vary considerably from country to country. While SWIPE acknowledges that things have changed in the US that is much less true of other countries.

Selection Committee

The selection committee includes a Chair and four members, appointed by the IPE Chair for 2-year terms, on a staggered basis. (The first committee will be split between one-year and two-year terms; thereafter, all terms will be for two years.) The Selection Committee Chair notifies the award recipient shortly after the selection process is completed.

Committee Members:
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Nominations deadline for the SWIPE Mentor Award was July 15, 2012.
This year’s recipient is Prof. Judith Goldstein. Prof. Goldstein is the Janet M. Peck Professor of International Communication and the Kaye University Fellow in Undergraduate Education. Her research focuses on international political economy, with a focus on trade politics. She has written and/or edited six book including Ideas, Interests and American Trade Policy and more recently The Evolution of the Trade Regime: Politics, Law and Economics of the GATT and the WTO. Her articles have appeared in numerous journals. Her current research focuses on the political requisites for trade liberalization focusing both on tariff bargaining and public preferences. As well, she is engaged in the analysis of a large survey panel, which focuses on how economic hard times influences public opinion. Prof. Goldstein has a BA from the University of California Berkeley, a Masters degree from Columbia University and a Ph.D. from UCLA.

**Outstanding Activist Scholar Award**

Deadline: June 1

Awarded this year to:

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This year’s recipient is Dr. David Graeber, University of London. David Graeber's original research project focused on relations between former nobles and former slaves in a rural community in Madagascar; it was about magic as a tool of politics, about the nature of power, character, and the meaning of history. He has also worked extensively on value theory, and has recently completed a major research project on social movements dedicated to principles of direct democracy, direct action, and has written widely on the relation (real and potential) of anthropology and anarchism. He is currently also working on a project on the history of debt.

**Best Dissertation Award**

Deadline: October 1, 2012

Committee Members:

Chair:
Hevina Dashwood (Brock University, Canada)
Committee Members:
Thomas Oatley (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, USA)
Nathan Jensen (Washington University, St. Louis, USA)

The International Studies Association's International Political Economy Section seeks to recognize the best dissertation completed and accepted in the previous two years (2010-2012 for the 2013) in the field of international political economy. A ten-page summary of the dissertation along with the nomination letter from the dissertation committee chair/member should be emailed to the IPE Dissertation Award Committee latest by October 1, 2012. The IPE Best Dissertation Award Committee will short-list three dissertations and invite the submission of the full dissertations. The winner will be announced at the IPE section meeting in San Francisco in April 2013 and will receive a framed certificate and check for $100.

This year’s recipient is Dr. Silke Trommer, a post-doctoral researcher at Murdoch University in Australia. Dr. Trommer is political economist working on the global trading system, with a background and research interest in development studies, social movement studies/transnational studies and international law. She received her academic training from the University of Dublin Trinity College, Ireland (BA in European Studies), the Institut d’Etudes Politiques de Strasbourg, France (Diploma in International Relations), Europa-Institut der Universitaet des Saarlandes, Germany (LLM in European Law) and the University of Helsinki, Finland (Doctor of Social Sciences). She has practically engaged with her fields of research during temporary work experience with DG Trade of the European Commission in Brussels, Belgium, the International Trade Centre in Geneva, Switzerland and the trade campaign of the INGO ENDA Third World in Dakar, Senegal.

Dr. Trommer’s dissertation is titled “Transformations in Trade Politics: West African Civil Society Participation in Economic Partnership Negotiations with the European Union.” The dissertation addresses the evolution of participatory trade policy-making practices in West African trade negotiations with the European Union that incorporate critics of the global trade agenda. It also examines the lessons West African participatory politics provides for tackling the technocracy/democracy deadlock in current governance practice, and asks what the West African example means for trade theory

IPE Best Graduate Student Paper Award 2012

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The International Studies Association’s International Political Economy Section seeks to recognize the best (sole authored) graduate paper presented at the previous (2012) ISA conference. To be eligible for the award, the paper must be presented on a panel sponsored or co-sponsored by the IPE section, and must be original (not published at the time of its presentation). Papers presented as posters are also eligible. Papers may be nominated by panel chairs/discussants or other conference participants, and by authors. The winner will be announced at the IPE section meeting in San Francisco in April 2013 and will receive a framed certificate and check for $100. The nomination letter and the paper to the Graduate Student Paper Awards committee were due by November 1, 2012.

The committee only received very few nominations this year, despite calls over the listserv. Therefore, in January the committee deliberated and agreed that instead of decreasing the reputation of the award, the committee would not give out an award this year. Instead, this year’s nominees would be also rolled over into next year. Most of the committee members have continued to serve for next year.